Background

The USPTO objected to Claims 1 - 8 and 14 - 15 based on claim informalities. The applicant has amended the claims in the manner suggested by the Examiner and thus, respectfully asserts that these objections have been overcome.

The USPTO rejected Claims 1, 5 and 7 - 8 under 35 USC §102 as being anticipated by Frey, et. al., U.S. Patent No. 2,765,991. In addition, the USPTO rejected Claims 2 - 4 and 6 under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable over Frey, et. al. The applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

The applicant also thanks the Examiner for the allowance of Claims 9 - 13 and 16 - 18 and the indication that Claims 14 and 15 would be allowable if certain claim objections were overcome.